CLIP facilities, new connection, etc. are not being accepted at these centres at present due to administrative reasons. However, a request from the Government of Andhra Pradesh in this regard is under active consideration of BSNL.

IT Investors

1629. SHRI H.K. JAVARE GOWDA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the details of IT investors who established their companies in India to create wealth and forge mutually profitable business partnership-with Indian companies for the past 5 years; and

(b) the details of the amount of investment made and the employment provided by such companies to the Indian software and hardware engineers for the past 5 years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SANJAY PASWAN): (a) there is a total of 2287 investors as per details given below:

(Rs. crore)

Period	Amount of FDI approved for IT sector	Amount of FDI inflows in electrical equipment*
January 1997 to May 2002	17,878.23	7,381.93

'Electrical Equipment include FDI inflows received in IT sector. No segregated data is available for IT sector.

The details of such proposals, *viz.,* Name and country of foreign collaborator, percentage of equity, items of manufacture/activity and location of the project are published on a monthly basis in SIA Newsletter, published by Department of Industrial Policy & Promotion (DIPP), which is widely circulated, including to the Parliament library.

(b) data on employment generation resulting out of FDI is not maintained on a centralized basis by DIPP.